Reply of Government.—Orders have been issued in Government Proceedings No. R. 1229-38—Ft. 105-06-16, dated 6th August 1907, stating that the sales of grass should be widely advertised to enable the adjacent villagers to bid at the sales. It is not expedient to set aside the privileges of servegars.

SUBJECT No. 113.

Extension of State Forests not to be taken up in the malnad.

Mr. Channabasappa Gowda, Nagar Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Gomal lands reserved for communal purposes, even if they happen to be fit for being reserved as State Forests, should not be reserved, as it will cause inconvenience to the raiyats. The member states that this representation applies to the Nagar Taluk, where extensive reservations are proposed to be made.

Reply of Government.—In making reservations every regard is paid to the privileges and rights of the people and the necessary rights of grazing, etc., are allowed. The matter may be represented to the Settlement Officer at the time of settlement.

SUBJECT No. 114.

Private stamps for marking timber logs.

Mr. Malali Venkataramaiya, Manjarabad Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—When the subject was discussed last year, Government were pleased to state that the Conservator of Forests would be addressed to show some concessions in the case of owners of small estates of less than 50 acres in extent. Early orders are prayed for in the matter.

Reply of Government.—Under Government Order No. R. 1743-7—Ft. 129-06-5, dated 4th September 1907, marking hammers have been ordered to be supplied to Forest officials, who will stamp the logs in the case of owners of small estates.

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SUBJECT No. 115.

Court-fee stamp vendors to be authorized to sell stamps of denominations of Rs. 100 and under.

Mr. B. Lakshminaranappa, Chitaldrug Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—Vendors of Court-fee stamps now sell stamps of denominations of less than Rs. 50 in value. They may be authorized to vend stamps of the value of Rs. 100 and under.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 116.

Higher rates of commission to stamp vendors at taluk head-quarters.

Mr. Ajjappa, Challakere Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The rate of commission paid to stamp vendors at taluk head-quarters may be raised from 3 to 5 per cent as in the case of moffusil vendors, so that they may do their work more willingly and satisfactorily. The member explained that the question of remuneration was brought before Government because of the inconvenience caused to the public by stamp vendors not keeping a sufficient stock of stamps of different values for sale.

Reply of Government.—The rules provide that sufficient stock should be kept by the vendors. Cases where

a sufficient supply is not kept and inconvenience is thereby caused to the public, may be brought to the notice of the district authorities.

SUBJECT No. 117.

Thumb impressions and endorsement on stamp papers sold.

Mr. Ajjappa, Challakere Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—Stamp vendors should be required to take the thumb impressions of the purchasers and to endorse on the papers the purpose for which the papers are bought. This would materially prevent frudulent transactions, forgeries and fabrications of documents.

Reply of Government.—Not necessary.

SUBJECT No. 118.

Travelling allowances.

Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao, Chikmagalur Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is requested that the Retrenchment Committee be asked to see if any curtailment of travelling allowances to officers and officials is possible.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 119.

Travelling allowance and batta to the members of the Representative Assembly.

Mr. Srinivas Sitaram Kulkarni, Harihar Sub-Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) Non-official members attending the Legislative Council Meetings of the Madras and Bengal Governments seem to be paid something like Rs. 5,000 for their journey expenses. Also the District Board members in this State and the University members of the Madras Government are paid railway fare and other travelling expenses. But the members of the Representative Assembly at Mysore are not allowed any travelling allowances although they come from distant places to attend the Assembly. It is therefore proposed that single second class railway fare may be allowed to them. Messrs. Raghavachar, C. Srinivasa Rao and Annaiya Pandit spoke against the proposal. The member withdrew the subject.

(*b*) Mr. Srinivasa Rao and others represented that better accommodation should be provided at Mysore to members of the Assembly.

(*c*) Mr. Krishnamurti Rao represented that a separate building may be erected for the accommodation of members.

(*d*) Mr. Krishnamurti Rao further represented that option might be given to the members to receive money in lieu of rations.

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Reply of Government.—(*b*) Every convenience will be afforded to the members in this direction.

(*c*) Noted.

(*d*) The option will be given.

SUBJECT No. 120.

Travelling allowance to taluk establishment.

Messrs. Nanje Gowda and Shanbhog Seenappa, Krishnarajpete Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—It is prayed that Taluk Sheristadars, while on circuit in their respective taluks, may be paid a daily batta of eight annas or actual expenses.

Withdrawn.

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